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Sir:

In accordance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith a Form PTO-1449 "List of Art Cited By Applicant", as well as copies of the documents listed thereon. The Examiner is respectfully requested to review the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and make the documents officially of record in the present application.

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Applicants further note that two (2) of the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (i.e., U.S. Patent Nos. 3,062,765 and 5,506,307) were cited in a European Search Report issued in connection with Applicants' counterpart European application (i.e., EP Appln. No. 02 25 1053). The European Search Report, a copy of which is also enclosed herewith, provides an indication of the relevance of each of the documents cited therein.

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